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 Hauptmann, et al.)
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 For: TNF RECEPTORS, TNF BINDING PROTEINS,)
 AND DNAs CODING FOR THEM)

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Sir:

The following Amendments and Remarks are filed as a Submission after Final pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a). A Request under 37 1.129(a) and authorization to deduct the requisite fee is attached herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2-7, 9, 23, 27-61 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please insert the following new claims:

~~62.~~ A recombinant DNA molecule, which is replicable in prokaryotic or eukaryotic host organisms,

wherein said DNA molecule contains expression control sequences functionally linked to the DNA sequence

~~16/~~ defined in claim 2, or a degenerate variant thereof or a fragment thereof.

~~63.~~ DNA according to claim ~~27~~, wherein the DNA encodes a C- and/or N-terminally shortened fragment of the polypeptide of A or B.

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